

PROVIDING FOR THE TRANSFER OF CERTAIN LANDS IN
THE STATE OF IDAHO TO THE IDAHO RANCH FOR
YOUTH, INC.

JULY 3, 1952.—Committed to the Committee of the Whole House and ordered to
be printed

Mr. MURDOCK, from the Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs,
submitted the following

REPORT

[To accompany S. 1876]

The Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, to whom was referred the bill (S. 1876) to provide for the transfer of certain lands in the State of Idaho to the Idaho Ranch for Youth, Inc., having considered the same, report favorably thereon without amendment and recommend that the bill do pass.

EXPLANATION OF THE BILL

The purpose of the bill is to convey 2,560 acres of the public domain to the Idaho Ranch for Youth, Inc., upon payment of the appraised value thereof as determined by the Secretary of the Interior, for the purpose of maintaining a home for training of homeless, needy, and delinquent boys and girls.

Since a considerable sum will have to be spent by the corporation in the construction of buildings, the sinking of wells, land leveling, and similar works, provision has been made in the bill to permit payment of the purchase price of the land in installments and to provide a 5-year development period before the initial payment becomes due. The reports of the Bureau of the Budget and the Department of the Interior, to the chairman of the Senate Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs, stating there is no objection to the enactment of the bill, are hereinbelow set forth in full and made a part of this report.

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT,
BUREAU OF THE BUDGET,
Washington, D. C., September 11, 1951.

HON. JOSEPH C. O'MAHONEY,
Chairman, Senate Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs,
Senate Office Building, Washington, D. C.

MY DEAR SENATOR O'MAHONEY: This is in reply to your request of July 20, 1951, for the views of this office with respect to S. 1876, a bill to provide for the transfer of certain lands in the State of Idaho to the Idaho Ranch for Youth, Inc.

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It appears that S. 1876 is intended to supersede S. 132 of the same title, and that it incorporates certain amendments suggested by the Department of the Interior with respect to the latter bill, including provision that conveyance of the 2,560 acres of the public domain, described therein, to the Idaho Ranch for Youth, Inc., shall be made upon payment of the appraised value thereof as determined by the Secretary of the Interior. The report which the Secretary of the Interior is making to your committee interposes no objection to the enactment of S. 1876.

This office sees no objection to the enactment of this measure.

Sincerely yours,

ELMER B. STAATS,
Acting Director.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY,
Washington, D. C., September 28, 1951.

Hon. JOSEPH C. O'MAHONEY,
*Chairman, Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs,
United States Senate, Washington, D. C.*

MY DEAR SENATOR O'MAHONEY: We are glad to respond to your invitation for an expression of the views of this Department on S. 1876, a bill to provide for the transfer of certain lands in the State of Idaho to the Idaho Ranch for Youth, Inc.

We interpose no objection to the enactment of the bill.

The bill would authorize the conveyance, upon payment in full of the appraised price, of all right, title, and interest of the United States, except mineral rights, in approximately 2,500 acres of public domain to the Idaho Ranch for Youth, Inc., for the purpose of maintaining a home for training of homeless, needy, and delinquent boys and girls.

All information that the Department has concerning the proposed Idaho Ranch for Youth, Inc., indicates that the cause which would be served by the conveyance of the lands is a worthy one and that its sponsors are sincere. Since a considerable sum will have to be expended by the corporation in the construction of buildings, the sinking of wells, land leveling, and similar works, the provisions of the bill permitting payment of the purchase price of the land in installments and providing a 5-year development period before the initial payment becomes due appear to be reasonable.

The Bureau of the Budget has advised that there is no objection to the presentation of this report to your committee.

Sincerely yours,

WILLIAM E. WARNE,
Assistant Secretary of the Interior.

The Committee on Interior and Insular Affairs unanimously recommends that S. 1876 be enacted.